

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Consideration of the present application as amended is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-7 and Claims 9-16 remain in this application. Claims 6, 7, 9, 10 and 14 have been withdrawn.

In the Office action mailed September 11, 2007 the Examiner required restriction between Claims 1-5, 11-13, 15 and 16 (Group I), drawn to a polycrystalline product, and Claims 6, 7, 9, 10 and 14 (Group II) drawn to a method of manufacture.

Responsive thereto, Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, without traverse and without prejudice to, inter alia, Applicants' right to pursue the withdrawn claims, as well as further product-by-process and/or generic claims, in a divisional application.

Any rejections and/or points of argument not addressed would appear to be moot in view of the presented remarks. No arguments are waived, however, and none of the Examiner's statements are conceded.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for

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consideration by the Examiner. A Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

If any informalities remain, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned in order to expedite allowance.

Please charge any fee deficiencies and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,

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